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- (b) the number admitted in the hospital during the said year;
- (c) the number in the waiting list; and
- (d) the number of workers among them?

A.—(a) 600.

(b) 128.

(c) 142.

(d) No worker under the employees' State Insurance Scheme is in the waiting list.

[Note.—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(1) NOMINATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS TO ASSOCIATE WITH THE COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

MR. SPEAKER: I have to announce that the following five Members have been nominated by the Madras Legislative Council to associate with the Committee on Estimates of the Legislative Assembly for the financial year 1959-60:—

- 1 Sri V. M. Surendram.
- 2 „ S. R. P. Ponnuswamy Chettiar.
- 3 „ A. Subramanyam.
- 4 „ L. S. Karayalar.
- 5 „ V. V. Ramaswami.

IV.—ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS *RE* REDRESSAL OF GRIEVANCES OF MERCHANTS DEALING IN PERISHABLES.

MR. SPEAKER: I have received notice of two adjournment motions, one from the hon. Member Sri N. K. Palanisami and another from the hon. Member Sri P. S. Chinnadurai. The motion given notice of by the hon. Member Sri Palaniswami wants to discuss the failure of the Government to settle the grievances of the merchants dealing in perishables throughout the State. When this question was raised recently by another hon. Member I told him that he can put a short notice question to the Hon. Minister concerned and get the necessary information. A short notice question was admitted and the Hon. Minister answered the question and number of supplementaries were also allowed on the question. Now, what are we going to do by allowing this adjournment motion? It is not possible during Budget time to allow an adjournment motion. We are going to discuss the Appropriation Bill today. If the hon. Member Sri Palaniswami gets a chance—I emphasise the word 'if' he can raise the question during the discussion on the Appropriation Bill and the Hon. Minister will in his reply answer it. Therefore I cannot allow the adjournment motion. I rule it out of order.

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a.m.